

# HIS CHOSEN HOME.

A Londoner, who was born in jail, twenty-three years ago.

William Rothwell, who was born in the London, Mass., jail twenty-three years ago, is now a free man. He was born in the jail, and for the many years he has been in jail he has made and mended the clothing of hundreds of prisoners. Rothwell came from a wealthy family in England, and was well educated. When first known in London he was arrested by Officer George K. Morse for drunkenness. While serving sentence at the jail he showed aptness as a tailor, although never before having had experience at the trade. After serving his sentence he was given some money by the sheriff or official in charge of the jail and he left town. He remained away but a few days, however. Upon his return he went to Officer Morse and requested that a charge be made against him either of drunkenness or vagrancy. A charge was made, he pleaded guilty and he was returned to jail, and the Boston Herald says Rothwell has continued this course for the past twenty-three years.

Although age bears its mark, his countenance shows refinement. He has become very deaf. He can be seen by any visitors in the guard-room of the jail seated upon his bench plying his needle through the garments worn by the prisoners. He has a brother, a wealthy merchant in New York city, who recently visited him. He has been repeatedly entreated by his relatives, not only in New York, but in Lancashire, England, to leave his prison home and live with them, but he says: "I am contented in the home that I chose twenty-three years ago and I shall not leave it so long as I can remain there, either by hospitality or legal sentences by the courts."

Rothwell's life has a romance. When a young man at college he fell in love with a wealthy young English lady. She accepted his attention as a suitor. Money he had in plenty, and being young, spirited, and kind of heart, had many boon companions. He began to drink, and the young woman discarded him. He then left his native land and went to Australia. For several years none of his relatives knew where he was, until twenty-three years ago he sent a letter to his mother in England, telling her where he was. He has the freedom of the jail at Dedham, and the guard-room would be lonesome to the officers without his presence.

# POISON FOR APACHE ARROWS.

Mattheuska heads and Red Ants Cooked into a Jolly Annuity.

Although the Apaches have had little or no use for their poisoned weapons for years, still they, because of a tribal instinct, each summer season go through an annual preparation of their arrow tips as carefully and methodically as if an old-time war were near at hand. This work on the arrows, as described by the Arizona Progress, is one piece of labor that the Indian braves will not leave to the squaws. He gathers a dozen or more rattlesnake heads and puts them in a spherical earthen vessel. With these he puts half a pint of a species of large red ant that is found in many parts of Arizona. The bite of this ant is more poisonous than that of a bee. Upon these he pours a bit of water and then seals up with moist earth the lid of this vessel. He then digs a hole two feet deep into the ground, in which he builds a roaring fire and puts in some stones. When the interior of the hole and the stones are red-hot he makes a place in the bottom for the earthen vessel and puts it in. About it and upon it he puts the coals and hot stones, and upon the top he builds a fence fire and keeps it up for twenty-four hours. Then he digs out his vessel, and, standing off with a long pole, he disengages the top and lets the fumes escape. The Indian insists that if the fumes should come in his face they would kill him. The mass left at the bottom of the vessel is a dark brown paste. To test the efficacy of his concoction a recent traveler saw an Indian with his hunting knife make a cut in his bare leg just below the knee and let the blood run down to his ankle. Then taking a stick he dipped it into the paste and touched the descending blood at the ankle. It immediately began to sizzle, as if it were cooking the blood, and the poison followed the blood right up the leg, sizzling its way until the Indian scraped the blood off with the knife. The savage assured the pale face that had he allowed the poison to reach the mouth of the wound he would have been a dead man in twenty minutes.

# THE GRAND OLD WOMAN.

A Name to Which Mrs. Gladstone Is Known.

Sir Andrew Clark has often been heard to say that Mrs. Gladstone is quite as much entitled to the name of the Grand Old Woman as her evergreen husband is to that of the Grand Old Man. On January 13 last, says the London Telegraph, Mrs. Gladstone's eightieth birthday came round and she passed the morning in writing letters to her friends in England, a task which she accomplishes without wearing glasses of any kind as she is right-eyed. In fact, she has never yet known what it is to need spectacles, and yet her eyes are as bright as those of a young woman. Every morning passed by Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone at Hawarden sees them both at church, nearly three-fourths of a mile from the castle.

Church is the church in the corrugated iron building in which Mr. Gladstone has already deposited about twenty thousand volumes, the overflow of his own private library at the castle, every volume of which he has placed with his own hand on the shelves of the new library, which he has given to the parish of Hawarden. By the way, what it is, the prime minister invariably makes to church and back, taking particular pleasure in this material exercise when some of his family, Mrs. Gladstone grows thinner and back in her childhood marriage, which she drives

himself. It is said that Mr. Gladstone does not know what it is to have a headache or to suffer from cold feet.

# OBELISK MOVERS OF OLD.

Means by Which the Egyptians Transported Great Stones.

The obelisks of the Pharaohs are made of red granite called syenite, says the writer of "Cleopatra's Needle." In the unfinished obelisk, still adhering to the native rock, with traces of workmen's tools so clearly seen on its surface that one might suppose they had been suddenly called away and intended soon to return and finish their work.

This unfinished obelisk shows the mode in which the ancients separated these immense monoliths from the native rock. In a sharply cut groove marking the boundary of the stone are holes evidently designed for wooden wedges, says the Chicago Herald.

After these had been firmly driven into the holes the groove was filled with water. The wedges, gradually absorbing the water, swelled and cracked the granite throughout the length of the groove. The block, once detached from the rock, was pushed forward upon rollers made of the stems of palm trees from the quarries to the edge of the Nile, where it was surrounded by a large timber raft. It lay by the river side until the first inundation of the Nile, when the rising water floated the raft and conveyed the obelisk down the stream to the city where it was to be set up.

Thousands of willing hands pushed it on rollers as an inclined plane to the front of the temple where it was designed to stand. The pedestal had previously been placed in position, and a plank causeway of sand covered with straw led to the top of it. Then, by means of rollers, levers and ropes made of the date palm, the obelisk was gradually hoisted into an upright position.

It speaks much for the mechanical accuracy of the Egyptian masons that, so true was the level of the top of the base and the bottom of the long shaft, in no single instance has the obelisk been found to be out of the true perpendicular.

# JAPS WANT TO BE TALLER.

With This End in View They Will Take to Eating Meat.

It is somewhat curious circumstance, says a London journal, that at the very time when we are told that the characteristic Japanese flower, the chrysanthemum, is about to be introduced to public favor, both in a hot and cold state of preparation, the Japanese have come to the conclusion that a vegetable diet, especially that in which rice is dominant, is a menu which should more properly be discouraged than advocated for the food of the Japanese people. Sir Francis de Winton, addressing the Manchester Geographical society, has stated that instead of the vegetarian food to which the Japanese had hitherto largely accustomed themselves, it had been decided by the government to encourage a meat diet, it being thought that by the adoption of such a policy the stature of the race would increase and their physique be consequently improved. Sir Francis furthermore pointed out that if the denizens of the land of the chrysanthemum could only be persuaded to eat more meat the brightest prospects might be offered to the cattle ranchers of western Canada and especially of British Columbia, who would find in Japan a new and remunerative market for their cattle. It should not, however, be ignored that European travelers in Japan have pointed out that the native cuisine, although perhaps it slightly errs in adherence to a system of cookery mainly consisting of odds and ends of various kinds of food, is quite capable of supplying not only palatable, but elegant meals. Others have not taken quite so rosy a view of Japanese culinary economy, but have admonished on the fact that not only do these remote Asiatics eat too much rice, but that they consume too much fish.

# Old-Time Postage Rates.

An old almanac for 1813 gives the following as the rates of postage prevailing at that time: "For every single letter by land, for 40 miles, 8 cents; 90 miles, 10 cents; 150 miles, 12½ cents; 300 miles, 17 cents; 500 miles, 25 cents. No allowance to be made for intermediate miles. Every double letter is to pay double the said rates; every triple letter, triple; every packet weighing one ounce at the rate of four single letters each. Every ship letter originally received at an office for delivery, 6 cents. Magazines and pamphlets, not over 50 miles, 1 cent per sheet; over 50 miles and not exceeding 100 do., 1½ cents per sheet; over 100 miles, 2 cents per sheet."

# No Lined.

A gateman at a local depot in Boston was asked three separate times at intervals of a few minutes, by a woman leading a small boy, when the next train for a certain station left. The fourth time that she asked, the gateman expressed his sorrow that that train had left a few minutes ago, and it was the last train that stopped at that station. "Oh, never mind," said the woman, "two don't want that train; but my little boy likes to hear you answer." The answer that had been given four times for the amusement of the small boy was: "There-thirty-there."

# Are You Squirming?

And is it pain that causes you to squirm? Rheumatism will make any one wince. Contrary to what you may hear, it is not the rheumatism virus from the blood and promptly relieve the sufferer that it produces. The evidence in its behalf on this point is ample and conclusive, and embraces the deliberate affirmations of many medical practitioners. Like all standard preparations, the Benger's Food is a pleasant remedy. Contrary to what you may hear, it is not the rheumatism virus from the blood and promptly relieve the sufferer that it produces. The evidence in its behalf on this point is ample and conclusive, and embraces the deliberate affirmations of many medical practitioners. Like all standard preparations, the Benger's Food is a pleasant remedy.

# Arrested.

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You should investigate the line of these goods as handie. They are just the piece of furniture to help beautify a home.

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# SATURDAY THE LAST DAY.

The Handsome Panel Pictures Given Away by the A. & P. Co. Go With a Rush.

There has been an unusually large demand for the handsome panel pictures the Atlantic and Pacific Tea company are presenting to their patrons this week. The management wish to announce that there are only four more days in which one of these pretty little works of art entitled "Good Morning," can be secured. After Saturday the presentation of the panels will be discontinued.

Remember these handsome pictures will be given away with one pound of tea or 50 cents worth of fresh roasted coffee or one box of A. & P. baking powder, 45 cents, or any 50 cent sale except sugar.

Don't fail to give our 50 cent tea a trial—they are the finest that can be had for the price. Try our new blend coffee, Hineshield, Java and genuine Mocha mixed, 45 cents. The best in the market. The A. & P. baking powder leads them all. Give it a trial.

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# Holiday Excursion Rates.

The Michigan Central, "The Niagara Falls Route," will sell round trip excursion tickets from Grand Rapids to all points on the Michigan Central in the United States and Canada, and to points in the state of Michigan upon connecting lines, except that to points on the D. & M. S. R. R. The best in the market. The A. & P. baking powder leads them all. Give it a trial.

# Buy a Christmas present at No. 50

Canal street. Trunks, traveling bags, toilet sets, leather novelties, robes, blankets, etc., make suitable presents.

# Violins.

the best in the market, at Fues & Weeden's, No. 17 Fountain street. Open every evening.

# "Jolly White" Flour is guaranteed

to please you for bread or pastry. Buy one hundred pounds of your grocer quick, and you will get one of these new pocket guides of the city free.

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# A pastel portrait, 14x17, and a

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